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The meeting was called to order at 10.15 a.m.

Agenda item 105: Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments

1. **The Chairman** drew the Committee's attention to rule 92 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly concerning elections by secret ballot and to paragraph 16 of General Assembly decision 34/401 on the rationalization of the procedures and organization of the General Assembly.

(b) Appointment of members of the Committee on Contributions (A/63/102; A/C.5/63/5)

2. **The Chairman** drew the Committee's attention to document A/63/102, in which the Secretary-General referred to rules 158 and 159 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly and invited the Assembly to appoint six persons to fill the vacancies that would arise in the membership of the Committee on Contributions on 31 December 2008. In document A/C.5/63/5, the Secretary-General communicated the names of six persons who had been nominated by their respective Governments for appointment or reappointment for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2009. Since the number of candidates from the Group of Asian States, the Group of Eastern European States, the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States and the Group of Western European and Other States corresponded to the number of vacancies for those regional groups, he took it that the Committee wished to recommend the candidates' appointment or reappointment by acclamation.

3. *It was so decided.*

4. *Mr. Park Hae-yun (Republic of Korea) and Mr. Wu Gang (China), in the case of the Group of Asian States, Mr. Logutov (Russian Federation), in the case of the Group of Eastern European States, Mr. Williams (Jamaica), in the case of the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States, and Mr. Moon (United Kingdom) and Mr. Thomma (Germany), in the case of the Group of Western European and Other States, were recommended for appointment or reappointment to the Committee on Contributions for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2009.*

(c) Confirmation of the appointment of members of the Investments Committee (A/63/103; A/C.5/63/6)

5. **The Chairman** drew the Committee's attention to document A/63/103, in which the Secretary-General referred to article 20 of the Regulations of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund and invited the General Assembly to confirm the reappointment of the three persons whom he had designated to fill vacancies in the Investments Committee for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2009. In document A/C.5/63/6, the Secretary-General submitted the names of three persons for confirmation by the General Assembly. Since the number of candidates corresponded to the number of vacancies, he took it that the Committee wished to recommend by acclamation that the Assembly should confirm the candidates' reappointment.

6. *It was so decided.*

7. *The Committee recommended that the Assembly should confirm the reappointment of Mr. Arikawa (Japan), Mr. Dhar (India) and Mr. Kirdar (Iraq) for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2009.*

8. **The Chairman** indicated that, in accordance with past practice, the Secretary-General proposed to reappoint Mr. Pictet (Switzerland) as an ad hoc member of the Investments Committee for a one-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2009. He took it that the Committee wished to recommend that the Assembly should confirm his reappointment.

9. *It was so decided.*

10. *The Committee recommended that the Assembly should reappoint Mr. Pictet (Switzerland) as an ad hoc member of the Investments Committee for a one-year term beginning on 1 January 2009.*

11. **The Chairman** said that, also in document A/C.5/63/6, the Secretary-General informed the General Assembly of his decision to appoint Ms. Mohohlo (Botswana) as a regular member of the Investments Committee to replace Mr. Ngqula (South Africa), who had resigned in July 2007, in order to fill the remainder of Mr. Ngqula's term, which was due to expire on 31 December 2009, and to appoint Mr. Jiang (China) as an ad hoc member of the Investments Committee to replace Ms. Beschloss (Islamic Republic of Iran), who had also resigned in July 2007. He took it that the Committee wished to recommend by

acclamation that the Assembly should confirm the appointment of Ms. Mohohlo and Mr. Jiang.

12. *It was so decided.*

13. *The Committee recommended that the Assembly should confirm the appointment to the Investments Committee of Ms. Mohohlo (Botswana), effective 1 January 2009 and expiring on 31 December 2009, and of Mr. Jiang (China) as an ad hoc member, commencing on 1 January 2009.*

(e) Appointment of members of the International Civil Service Commission (A/63/104; A/C.5/63/7)

14. **The Chairman** drew the Committee's attention to document A/63/104, in which the Secretary-General referred to articles 2 to 4 of the statute of the Commission and invited the General Assembly to appoint five persons to fill the vacancies that would arise in the Commission on 31 December 2008. In document A/C.5/63/7, the Secretary-General communicated the names of five persons who had been nominated by their respective Governments for reappointment for a four-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2009. Since the number of candidates from the Group of African States, the Group of Asian States and the Group of Eastern European States corresponded to the number of vacancies for those regional groups, he took it that the Committee wished to recommend the candidates' reappointment by acclamation.

15. *It was so decided.*

16. *Mr. Bouayad-Agha (Algeria) and Mr. Zahid (Morocco), in the case of the Group of African States, Mr. Chowdhury (Bangladesh) and Mr. Wang Xiaochu (China), in the case of the Group of Asian States, and Mr. Morozov (Russian Federation), in the case of the Group of Eastern European States, were recommended for reappointment to the International Civil Service Commission for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 2009.*

(f) Appointment of members and alternate members of the United Nations Staff Pension Committee (A/63/105; A/C.5/63/8)

17. **The Chairman** drew the Committee's attention to document A/63/105, in which the Secretary-General referred to article 6 of the Regulations of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund and invited the General Assembly to appoint four members and four alternate members to fill the vacancies that would arise in the membership of the United Nations Staff Pension Committee on 31 December 2008. In document A/C.5/63/8, the Secretary-General communicated the names of eight persons who had been nominated by their respective Governments for appointment or reappointment for a four-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2009. Since the number of candidates corresponded to the number of vacancies, he took it that the Committee wished to recommend the candidates' appointment or reappointment by acclamation.

18. *It was so decided.*

19. *Ms. González Posse (Argentina), Mr. Kovalenko (Russian Federation), Mr. Küntzle (Germany), Mr. Mazemo (Zimbabwe), Mr. Muhith (Bangladesh), Mr. Okanda Owade (Kenya), Mr. Repasch (United States of America) and Mr. Yamada (Japan) were recommended for appointment or reappointment to the United Nations Staff Pension Committee for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 2009.*

(a) Appointment of members of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/63/101; A/C.5/63/4)

20. **The Chairman** drew the Committee's attention to document A/63/101, in which the Secretary-General referred to rules 155 and 156 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly and invited the Assembly to appoint five persons to fill the vacancies that would arise in the membership of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on 31 December 2008. In document A/C.5/63/4, the Secretary-General communicated the names of six persons who had been nominated by their respective Governments for appointment or reappointment for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2009. Since the number of candidates from the Group of African States, the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States and the Group of Western European and Other States corresponded to the number of vacancies for those regional groups, he took it that the Committee wished to recommend the candidates' appointment or reappointment by acclamation.

21. *It was so decided.*

22. *Ms. Afifi (Morocco), in the case of the Group of African States, Mr. Torres Lépori (Argentina), in the*

case of the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States, and Ms. Archini (Italy) and Ms. McLurg (United States of America), in the case of the Group of Western European and Other States, were recommended for appointment or reappointment to the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2009.

23. **The Chairman** drew the Committee's attention to rule 93 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly and invited members to elect by secret ballot one candidate from the Group of Eastern European States.

24. *At the invitation of the Chairman, Mr. Schuldt (Ecuador), Mr. Mukai (Japan) and Mr. Dodo (Nigeria) acted as tellers.*

25. *A vote was taken by secret ballot.*

Number of ballot papers:	173
Number of valid ballots:	173
Number of members voting:	173
Required majority:	87
Number of votes obtained:	
Mr. Iosifov (Russian Federation):	116
Mr. Petriashvili (Georgia):	57

26. *Having obtained the required majority, Mr. Iosifov (Russian Federation) was recommended for appointment to the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2009.*

The meeting rose at 11.15 a.m.